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OFFICE OF AIR AND RADIATION

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Edward W. English, II Vice President - Technical Director Fuel Quality Services, Inc. P.O. Box 1380 Flowery Branch, GA 30542-0023

Dear Mr. English:

Thank you for your April 8, 2004 letter to Jim Caldwell concerning Kathon FP 1.5, a water-phase biocide designed to mix with the water phase in fuel storage tanks. You requested confirmation that it was not subject to the registration requirements for a fuel additive at 40 CFR 79.

Please be advised that a product designed to mix with the water phase in fuel storage tanks, and not the fuel itself, is not considered to be a fuel additive. Please contact me or Jim Caldwell, (202) 343-9303, if you have any questions.

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